—Upto 16 per cent return on the foreign equity included in the traiff can be provided in the respective foreign currency.

—Fixed costs including 16 per cent Return on Equity (IOC) can be recovered at 58.5 per cent PLG. Attractive incentives are prescribed for performance beyond this PLF in the form of additional ROE (upto 0.7 per cent) for each 1 per cent rise in PLF.

—Flexibility has been allowed in including insurance charges in the project cost.

—Government of India may consider extending a counter guarantee for the payment obligations of State Electricity Boarls to the private power companies on the specific request of the concerned State Government subject to certain terms and conditions.

The specific incentives for Licences are:

—Licences of longer duration of 30 years in the first instance and subsequent renewals of 20 years instead of 20 and 10 years repspectively as it was before.

—Higher rate of return of 5 per cent in place of the previous 2 per cent above the RBI rate.

—Capitalisation of Interest During Construction (IDC) at actual cost (for expansion projects also) as against 1 per cent over RBI rate as it was before.

—Specaial appropriation to meet the debt redemption obligations.

विद्युत क्षेत्र में निवेश के लिए ब्रिटेन और कनाडा के साथ समझौता

2194. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जी० सोलंकी** क्या **विद्युत** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या विद्युत उत्पादन के लिए ब्रिटेन और कनाडा के साथ द्विपक्षीय समझौते करने के संबंध में कोई अध्ययन किया गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

विद्युत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० वी० रंगैया नायडू) : (क) विद्युत मंत्रालय ने किसी भी प्रकार के अध्ययन कार्य की शुरुआत नहीं की है और न ही उसे इस तरह के किसी अध्ययन कार्य की जानकारी है।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

Rehabilitation and life Extension scheme of Kothagudem Thermal power Station

2195. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Mnister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Andhra Pradesh Government has submitted a project proposal for rehabilitation and life extension scheme of Kothagudem Thermal Power Station through external assistance;

(b) if so, the deails therof; and

(c wnat action has been taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POMER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board (APSEB) had submitted a proposal for rehabilitation/life extension of the 4x60 MW units at Kothagudam Thermal Power Station with jroposed external assistance from OECF. The proposal received techno-economic clearance of the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) on 10.3.1992 at an estimated cost of Rs. 87.56 crores. The project has been posed to the Government of Japan for OECF assistance in 1994-95.

Outlay for Power Sector in Madhya Pradesh

2196. SHRI DILIP SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have enhanced the total outlay for power sector in